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Docket No. PIZ-106

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Applicant(s) : Bernhard Podirsky  
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UNDER 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56, 1.97, AND 1.98

Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.56, the references on the attached form PTO/SB/08 are being brought to the attention of the Examiner for consideration in connection with the examination of the above-identified patent application. Copies of the cited documents are also being electronically submitted. .

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In accordance with 37 CFR §1.56, Applicants hereby request that the references cited in the Supplementary Partial European Search Report and listed on the attached Form PTO/SB/08 be made of record and considered in the examination of the subject application.

It is respectfully requested that the Examiner indicate consideration of the cited references by returning a copy of the attached form PTO/SB/08 with initials or other appropriate marks.

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